

REMARKS

INTRODUCTION

Claims 3-27 and 37 are pending and under consideration. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

PRIOR ART REJECTIONS

Using independent claim 12 as an example, this claim recites writing and displaying a program list including program guide information of a channel currently tuned into.

This feature was previously pointed out to the Examiner. In response, the Examiner currently relies upon column 8, lines 11-28 Mankovitz. However, as noted by the Examiner, the disclosed invention "allows the viewer to tune and display channels from one television signal source while the VCR 740 scans the other television signal sources for guide information." Thus, the guide information is related to these other television signal sources, not the television signal that is being tuned and displayed. Accordingly, this reference does not teach program guide information of the channel currently tuned into.

The remaining references do not overcome these deficiencies in Mankovitz.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

CONCLUSION

In accordance with the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot. And further, that all pending claims patentably distinguish over the prior art. Thus, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, the application is submitted as being in condition for allowance which action is earnestly solicited. At a minimum, this Amendment should be entered at least for purposes of Appeal as it either clarifies and/or narrows the issues for consideration by the Board.

If the Examiner has any remaining issues to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited and possibly concluded by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney for a telephone interview to discuss any such remaining issues.


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If there are any underpayments or overpayments of fees associated with the filing of this Amendment, please charge and/or credit the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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